

Dear Education Committee,

I am writing in reference to my strong opposition of HB5447 (An Act Implementing the recommendations of the auditors of public account concerning private providers of special education). When I read the bill being proposed I became extremely concerned. I am educator for severely impacted students with disabilities. Students with disabilities have an IEP (Individualized Education Plan) which indicates that each student is an individual and their needs are to be met according their specific learning profiles. Some of these students do not "fit" into the public systems that are available therefore needing more than what can be offered at that level. By passing the proposed bill there will be detrimental effects on the quality of special education for children with special needs. If our students could be placed in a "one size fits all education" they would never have been placed with a private provider in the first place. This bill would remove "individualized" from IEP. Please vote NO in reference to HB5447.

Sincerely,

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